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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF
(37 CFR 41.37)

Sir:

Applicant acknowledges the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief, mailed in this case on August 8, 2005. The fees required under Section 1.17(c), and any required request for extension of time for filing this response and fees therefor, are dealt with in the accompanying transmittal letter.

In the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief, the Examiner indicated that the brief does not contain a concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims involved in the appeal, referring to the specification by page and line number and to the drawings by reference character; and/or that the brief fails to identify for each independent claim involved in the appeal and for each dependent claim argued separately, every means plus function and step plus function under 35 USC 112, sixth paragraph, and/or set forth